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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Scott H. Brown and Tin-Tack P. Cheung

Examiner: N. Preisch

Group Art Unit: 1764

Prior Application: 09/196,347

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For: HYDROGENATION CATALYSTS AND PROCESSES THEREWITH

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), Applicants submit the following amendment:

In the Claims

Please amend the following claims:

Claim 36. (Twice Amended) A process comprising contacting a fluid with a catalyst composition wherein said fluid comprises highly unsaturated hydrocarbon; said composition consists essentially of [comprises] (1) palladium, (2) silver, (3) an alkali metal or an alkali metal-containing compound, (4) a selectivity enhancer selected from the group consisting of lead, bismuth, thorium, gallium, tin, antimony, germanium, arsenic, cadmium, mercury, and combinations of two or more thereof, and (5) an inorganic support selected from the group

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